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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Curham *et al.* )  
Serial No.: 10/643,131 ) Art Unit: 1731  
Filed: August 18, 2003 ) Examiner: FORTUNA, Jose  
For: High HLB Non-Ionic Surfactants for )  
Use as Deposition Control Agents )

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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June 22, 2006

Sir:

In response to the December 22, 2005 Office Action entered in the above application, please consider these remarks.

**REMARKS**

The Office Action rejects the pending claims over Rohlf (EP 0599440), both individually and in combination with Barnett (US 4861429), under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) and 35 U.S.C. § 103. However, there is nothing in the references that would suggest the use of a non-ionic high HLB surfactant in a first pulp suspension “in the substantial absence of a second deposition inhibiting

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